

REMARKS

The office action rejects claims 1-66 for obviousness-type double patenting over claims 1-73 in "copending" Application No. 09/996,355. It imposes no other rejections.

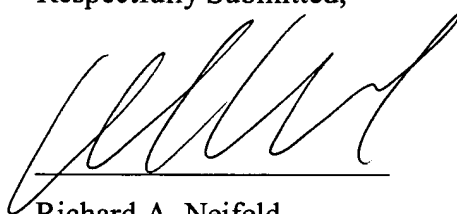
In response, the applicant traverses the double patenting rejections, as Application No. 09/996,355 has gone abandoned. On September 9, 2004, the USPTO mailed a notice of abandonment in Application No. 09/996,355 and the applicant has taken no action to revive the application.

Moreover, the subject application claims a reverse aspect geometry. The disclosure of the patent application whose claims formed the basis of the double patenting rejection is not believed to have disclosed that concept.

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